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FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY HABIB

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SUBJ: VISIT OF ASSISTANT SECRETARY HABIB

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1. WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR GIVING FURTHER CONSIDERATION
TO A MEETING WITH THE PRESS DURING YOUR VISIT TO KUALA
LUMPUR.

2. SENIOR LEVEL VISITS HERE ARE RELATIVELY RARE, AND IT HAS
BEEN SEVERAL YEARS SINCE A RANKING OFFICIAL FROM WASHINGTON
HAS MET WITH MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES FOR A DISCUSSION OF U.S.
POLICY. THE LAST TIME, TO BEST RECOLLECTION HERE, WAS MARSHALL
GREEN'S PRESS CONFERENCE AFTER THE PRESIDENTIAL VISIT TO
PEKING. WHILE THE BASIC DIRECTION OF U.S. POLICY IS
UNDERSTOOD, SENIOR MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES HAVEN'T HAD A CHANCE
TO BE EXPOSED FIRST HAND TO WASHINGTON THINKING. YOUR VISIT
WOULD PROVIDE SUCH AN OPPORTUNITY, AND I HAD IN MIND AN
INFORMAL MEETING, ON THE RECORD, AT THE PAO'S HOUSE,
WITH PERHAPS A DOZEN MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES INCLUDING
EDITORS, SENIOR EDITORIAL WRITERS, AND RADIO/TV FOREIGN
AFFAIRS SPECIALISTS, FOR ABOUT AN HOUR, LATE MONDAY
AFTERNOON, FEBRUARY 17.

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